Minutes of the meeting for Montgomery Tourism Committee held on 11th September 2019 at the Library Arthur Street, Montgomery.

Present: Cllr's J Kibble, L Weaver, H Andrew, C Weston, DM Officer Sarah Gilder

MINUTE 22 – T/19 APOLOGIES

No apologies

MINUTE 23 – T/19 DECLARATIONSOF INTEREST

None

MINUTE 24 – T/19 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Minutes of 10th July 2019 signed by the Chairman

MINUTE 25 - T/19 MATTERS ARISING

- 1. Crier is bi-monthly
- 2. £17.00 was collected from the leaflet donation box
- 3. Bridge at Whitegate Pool needs to be blocked off
- 4. Clarify date for work on trees (Whitegate Pool area)
- 5. Pirates of Penzance raised £300 for Tourism budget.

MINUTE 26 - T/19 TOURIST INFORMATION AREA

- **1.** Tubs are still looking good.
- 2. Leaflets in TIC had been thrown all over the floor.
- **3.** Authorised up to £25 for winter pansies.

MINUTE 27 – T/19 DESTINATION MONTGOMERY

- 1. Would have liked more response from visitors at Montgomery Show
- 2. Clun gin will attend Christmas Market.
- 3. Valuation Day in the Town Hall on 24th October 2019.
- 4. Meet the Producers event on 1st October 2019 in the Town Hall
- 5. Consideration given to purchasing more quiz papers along with pencils, discussed if dragon topper could be a rubber. DM officer will investigate.

MINUTE 28 – T/19 TWINNING

- 1. Funding is no longer available for Twinning.
- 2. Newtown have made a success of Twinning with Les Herbier after many years.
- 3. Happy to approach other places with the name Montgomery introducing what we have to offer for visitors.
- 4. Check with Cllr Lewis what benefits this will bring, Town Council is probably not best to carry this forward.

MINUTE 29 – T/19 EVENTS

- 1. Town Clerk had visited the woodyard at Powis Estates and they would charge in the region of £200 to mount the plaque with an oak frame. It was agreed by this committee that the plaque would be delivered to the woodyard for this work to be carried out.
- 2. Waiting for dates from the orchestra Cllr Kibble advised there is a huge potential with this group. Community involvement with talented musicians in Montgomery who could possibly run a masterclass.
- 3. For 2027 celebrations it would be a good idea to ask organisations what they might like to do. Quite a lot of photos and video footage are available. Maybe an ideas board.

MINUTE 30 T/19 BUDGET

There will be enough funds in Tourism Budget to pay for the Plaque from Hungary.

MINUTE 31 T/19 INFORMATION FROM MEMBERS

- 1. Walking Festival is fully booked but there are still places for the supper.
- 2. National poetry day on 3rd October 2019, a councillor will photo copy some poems.
- 3. A resident will provide the Water Wheel to charge batteries for Eco Christmas Lights to go on Hornbeams, and church path.
- 4. Civic Society talk on 29th October, it is possible a personality will attend Civic Society talk in December.

MINUTE 32 T/19 REPRESENTATIVES TO OTHER BODIES

None

Next meetings 9th October, 13th November.